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Friday night's Operation Safer Streets' gang enforcement initiative resulted in the arrests of 14 persons on two felony and 14 misdemeanor charges. Detectives seized 7.5 grams of crack cocaine, 1.2 grams of cocaine, 2 grams of marijuana, one Ecstasy pill and one gun. Ten warrants were served.

At least once a week, officers and supervisors representing each of the six police precincts and the Specialized Investigations Division (SID) partner together to implement strategies to combat gang crimes and activities in various parts of Nashville. Friday night's enforcement consisted of 11 SID detectives, 10 patrol officers, 6 School Resource officers, two ATF agents and one U.S. Deputy Marshal.

Since May 19, 2006, this successful operation has resulted in a total of 127 persons arrested on 24 felony and 149 misdemeanor charges, 56 warrants served and eight guns seized. Detectives and officers have also confiscated illegal drugs from 37 persons totaling 39 grams of marijuana, 97.5 grams of crack cocaine and 3.5 grams of cocaine.

Areas targeted Friday night were:

1500 Porter Road
James Cayce Homes
6th Avenue North and Garfield Street
JC Napier Homes
Edgehill Homes
Hickory Hollow Mall
Tampa Drive
Paragon Mills Road